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CAST:

THE DOCTOR
BRIGADIER LETHBRIDGE-STEWART 1
BRIGADIER LETHBRIDGE-STEWART 2
NYSSA
TEGAN
TURLOUGH
MAWDRYN
BLACK GUARDIAN
FIRST MUTANT
SECOND MUTANT

FIVE MUTANTS (N/S)

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SETS:

Tardis control room
Int. Hut
Int. Transmat capsule
Ships control centre
Ships corridors
Inner Room
Ships Laboratory

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TELECINE:

Hilltop
Hillside

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REPRISE THEN:

TELECINE 1:

Ext. Hillside. Day.
1983.

THE DOCTOR and
BRIGADIER 2 climbing
the hill.

The BRIGADIER is
finding it very hard
to keep up.

THE DOCTOR: Don't you see,
Brigadier! The Tardis came
to Earth in 1977. And so
did the transmat capsule -
carrying someone, or something,
from the ship in space.

BRIGADIER 2: And Tegan and
the other girl think - or
thought it's you.

THE DOCTOR: Indeed. And
what did you think?

BRIGADIER 2: (AFRAID) No,
Doctor!

THE DOCTOR: You were there.

BRIGADIER 2: You mustn't make
me remember.

THE DOCTOR: You must. I need
the information to protect
Tegan and Nyssa.

BRIGADIER 2: Even if I
wanted to, there's no way I
could recall it.

THE DOCTOR: Could that
experience be the reason for
your nervous breakdown.

BRIGADIER 2: Good heavens.
Do you think so?

THE DOCTOR: Come on! We've
got to get to the capsule
before Turlough works out
how to operate it. It's the
only way I can contact the
Tardis!

They continue up
the hill.

1. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM. 1977.

(MAWDRYN CONFRONTS
BRIGADIER 1,
TEGAN AND NYSSA)

TEGAN: You're not the Doctor!

MAWDRYN: You travel with a
Time Lord and know nothing of
metamorphosis?

TEGAN: Yes, but it wasn't
like this before. When he
changed he was human!

MAWDRYN: Is a Gallifrean
human?

TEGAN: He was ... normal!

MAWDRYN: What do you know,
prattling Earth child, of the
endless changing!

TEGAN: I know that when the
Doctor regenerated he didn't
turn into an alien!

MAWDRYN: The transmatting
induced a mutative catalysis.

TEGAN: (TO NYSSA) Is that
possible?

NYSSA: (UNSURE) I don't know ...
It could be.

TEGAN: What do you think,
Brigadier?

BRIGADIER 1: I've seen this
happen twice. Different each
time. But ... This could
well be the Doctor.

(THEY ARE ALL
UNSURE WHAT TO
DO)

MAWDRYN: The condition will
remain unstable. The
transmutation can be modified...
but not in the Tardis.

NYSSA: You see. (TO TEGAN)
That's what comes of jettisoning
the zero room.

MAWDRYN: We return to the ship.

TEGAN: The ship? But we can't
leave Turlough. He doesn't
belong in this time zone.

MAWDRYN: Turlough?

TEGAN: The boy who came with
you in the capsule.

MAWDRYN: There was no boy.

NYSSA: Are you sure?

TELECINE 2:

Ext. Hilltop. Day.
1983.

TURLOUGH comes
running towards
the capsule.

He arrives and
goes straight
into it.

2. INT. TRANSMAT CAPSULE. 1983.

(TURLOUGH GETS
INTO THE CAPSULE.
HE PRESSES
SOME BUTTONS.

NOTHING HAPPENS.

TURLOUGH LOOKS
FURIOUS)

TURLOUGH: The transmitter!

TELECINE 2A:

Ext. Hilltop. Day.
1983.

TURLOUGH comes out of the capsule and goes to the remains of the transmitter, beside which is the Doctor's tool box.

Ext. Hilltop. Day.
1983.

THE DOCTOR and BRIGADIER 2 get to the top of the hill.

They see TURLOUGH bending over the apparatus.

THE DOCTOR: Keep it up, Brigadier. We're just in time.

THE DOCTOR hurries towards TURLOUGH leaving the gasping BRIGADIER well in the rear.

Ext. Hilltop. Day.
1983.

By the transmitter. TURLOUGH trying to repair it.

THE DOCTOR approaches in the background.

TURLOUGH is so pre-occupied that he doesn't see THE DOCTOR come up behind him.

THE DOCTOR: And where did you
learn about transmat radiology?

TURLOUGH springs
guiltily to his
feet.

THE DOCTOR just
looks at him, then
kneels down beside
the apparatus.

3. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM. 1977.

(AS BEFORE)

TEGAN: But if you're the Doctor you should have transmatted to Earth in 1983.

MAWDRYN: Any escape from a warp ellipse can cause temporal anomalies.

NYSSA: (TO TEGAN) It's true. That's what must have happened to the Tardis.

(TEGAN HAS NO ANSWER
TO MAWDRYN THIS
TIME)

MAWDRYN: Now, I need your assistance to return the Tardis to the ship.

(THEY DON'T KNOW
WHAT TO DO. AT
LEAST NO-ONE OFFERS
TO HELP MAWDRYN.

MAWDRYN STRUGGLING
WITH THEIR NAMES:)

Tegan. Nyssa. Brigadier.
My old friends. Please help
me!

(IT IS A GENUINELY
MOVING APPEAL.

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THE TWO GIRLS LOOK
HELPLESSLY TO THE
BRIGADIER 1 FOR
ADVICE)

BRIGADIER 1: Do we have any
real choice. We must give
him the benefit of the doubt
in case he is the Doctor.

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TELECINE 3:

Ext. Hilltop. Day. 1983.

THE DOCTOR working away
on the transmitter.

TURLOUGH watches with
extreme interest.

TURLOUGH: What will that do?

THE DOCTOR: Reflect the beam
back off the ship ...

TURLOUGH: So the warp ellipse
will absorb the time differen-
tial ...

THE DOCTOR: That's right.

BRIGADIER 2: But will it work?

THE DOCTOR: Always the
optimist, Brigadier.

TURLOUGH sniggers
sneeringly at the
BRIGADIER.

BRIGADIER 2: Wipe that smile
off your face, Turlough.

TURLOUGH: Sir?

BRIGADIER 2: Just start
thinking what you're going
to say to the Headmaster.

THE DOCTOR is extracting various bits and pieces from his pockets to help his work on the apparatus. The cube falls out.

He picks it up and offers it to TURLOUGH.

THE DOCTOR: By the way, I think this is yours.

TURLOUGH takes it. Not at all pleased to have it back.

4. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM. 1977.

(NYSSA AND MAWDRYN
AT THE CONSOLE.

NYSSA TURNS TO
TEGAN AND THE
BRIGADIER 1)

NYSSA: We're ready to leave,
Brigadier.

BRIGADIER 1: And I'm coming
with you.

TEGAN: But, Brigadier ...

BRIGADIER 1: Don't argue.

NYSSA: As you wish.

(THEY DON'T NEED
MUCH PURSUADING.

NYSSA CLOSES THE
DOORS.

NYSSA LOOKS AT
MAWDRYN FOR GUIDANCE)

MAWDRYN: Do not enter new
co-ordinates. Activate
sequential regression.

(SHE PRESSES A SWITCH.

THERE IS A STRANGE
NOISE)

TEGAN: Not another alarm?

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NYSSA: I don't know.

(SHE MOVES ROUND
THE CONSOLE)

Doctor?

(MAWDRYN IS DAZED
AND CONFUSED. HE
HAS NO ADVICE TO
OFFER)

I think it's the communication
system.

TELECINE 4:

Ext. Hilltop. Day. 1983.

The transmitter hums busily. A similar sound to that just heard in the Tardis.

THE DOCTOR: Tegan and Nyssa can use the beam as a beacon. If all goes well the Tardis will reappear ... (SUDDEN REALISATION) Oh, no! Quickly, Brigadier! Think! Did you go on board the Tardis with Tegan and Nyssa?

BRIGADIER: I can't remember. Does it really matter?

THE DOCTOR: Of course it matters! The Blinovitch Limitation Effect. Can you imagine what would happen if you walked out of the Tardis in 1977 and met yourself in 1983!

TURLOUGH has been looking anxiously at the cube.

He glances quickly at THE DOCTOR whose attention has been drawn away from the transmitter.

BRIGADIER 2: (O.O.V.) That's ridiculous.

THE DOCTOR: Not ridiculous, but almost certainly catastrophic.

BRIGADIER: (O.O.V.) You mean I could be two people?

THE DOCTOR: (O.O.V.) Certainly. You would exist twice over. But because you're basically the same person any close contact would short circuit the time differential created by the journey in the Tardis. The energy discharge ...

During the O.O.V. dialogue TURLOUGH moves quickly to the apparatus, tinkers with it, and jumps back again.

There is a small explosion.

THE DOCTOR and the BRIGADIER look at the transmitter. THE DOCTOR is acutely dismayed.

5. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM. 1977.

(AS BEFORE.

THE SOUND HAS NOW
STOPPED)

NYSSA: It's stopped.

MAWDRYN: Dematerialise!

(NYSSA IS ABOUT
TO OBEY)

TEGAN: Wait. If that sound
came from the communications
system someone might have
been trying to get in touch
with us? Perhaps it was
The Doctor?

MAWDRYN: I am the Doctor!
Dematerialise immediately.
Time is running out. We
must leave this place at once.

(NYSSA ACTIVATES)

TEGAN: No!

(BUT NYSSA HAS DONE
IT. THE COLUMN
STARTS TO MOVE)

TELECINE 5:

Ext. Hilltop. Day. 1983.

The BRIGADIER and THE DOCTOR look at the smoking transmitter.

BRIGADIER 2: If it's any use to you, I've now recalled that I didn't board the Tardis. (POINTS) I was standing over there and I remember it dematerialising.

THE DOCTOR: Thank you, Brigadier. The problem is now strictly academic.

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: We won't be going to the ship. The transmitter is useless. And I've lost contact with the Tardis!

TURLOUGH: Does that mean you're trapped on earth?

THE DOCTOR: Only for the moment ... I wish I had the equipment for tracking the Tardis.

BRIGADIER 2: Such as a homing device.

THE DOCTOR: Thank you, Brigadier. I forgot you had such a remarkable talent for perceiving the obvious.

BRIGADIER 2: I have such an object. Tegan gave it to me.

THE DOCTOR: What did you say?

BRIGADIER 2: A homing device.

THE DOCTOR trying to contain his excitement.

(THE DOCTOR)

THE DOCTOR: Brigadier, that was six years ago. Is it too much to hope ...

BRIGADIER 2: Never know when something's going to come in useful.

THE DOCTOR: You mean ...

BRIGADIER 2: No idea what it was or where it came from until ...

THE DOCTOR: (LOSING PATIENCE)
Brigadier! Where is it!

BRIGADIER 2: Back at the caravan.

He dashes off.

BRIGADIER stares blankly after him.

THE DOCTOR: (O.O.V.) Hurry, man. We haven't a moment to lose.

6. INT. SHIP.

(THE TARDIS
MATERIALISES)

7. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(THE COLUMN HAS
JUST STOPPED.)

NYSSA OPENS THE
SCREEN REVEALING
THE VIEW OF THE
SHIP'S INTERIOR)

TEGAN: This is where we
came in.

MAWDRYN: (WITH RELIEF) The
ship!

BRIGADIER 1: Is it indeed.

(HE PEERS SUSPICIOUSLY
AT THE SCREEN)

MAWDRYN: (PREPARING TO LEAVE)
You will all stay in the Tardis.

TEGAN: If you're in a re-
generation crisis, you'll need
all the help you can get.

MAWDRYN: No!

BRIGADIER 1: She's right,
Doctor.

MAWDRYN: (DESPERATE) I must
go into the ship alone!
(cont ...)

(HE IS TREMBLING AND
BREATHING HEAVILY.
HE STAGGERS AND
CLUTCHES AT THE CONSOLE)

MAWDRYN: (cont) You do not understand the nature of the transmogrification. The unique restorative conditions of that vessel ... The presence of other life forms would inhibit the reparation!

TEGAN: We've all seen The Doctor regenerate before and the evidence suggests that without the presence of other life forms he could die.

MAWDRYN: Open the doors!

(NYSSA MOVES TO OBEY)

TEGAN: No!

(TEGAN STOPS NYSSA.

SHE CONFRONTS MAWDRYN)

You're not going out into that ship.

(MAWDRYN GROANS WITH PAIN AND RAGE)

Either you stay here or we go with you.

NYSSA: But Tegan ...

TEGAN: He could reactivate the beam, and the Tardis would be trapped here for ever.

NYSSA: But if he is The Doctor ...

TEGAN: I don't believe it.

MAWDRYN: The doors!

TEGAN: (RESOLUTE) No!

(MAWDRYN GIVES A
GREAT CRY OF RAGE
AND DESPAIR.)

THE GIRLS REACT IN
HORROR)

MAWDRYN: (ROARING IN AGONY)
Hurry! You are destroying me!

8. INT. HUT. . DAY.

(THE DOCTOR, BRIGADIER
TWO AND TURLOUGH.

ON THE TABLE AN
AMUNITION BOX FULL
OF JUNK.

THE DOCTOR IS MANI-
PULATING THE HOMING
DEVICE. IT BLEEPS
AND SQUEAKS)

TURLOUGH: Have you located
the Tardis?

THE DOCTOR: Yes.

TURLOUGH: Where?

THE DOCTOR: The ship we were
on. I'm a fool! I should
have realised!

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: The thing that
Tegan saw come out of the
capsule. It must have been
mutilated by the transmat
process and could never have
survived the return journey.

TURLOUGH: So it used your
Tardis?

THE DOCTOR: Yes. And such
was its conditions, it probably
pretended to be me.

BRIGADIER 2: So Tegan and her friend are marooned in space, at the mercy of this thing.

THE DOCTOR: And I'm stranded here unable to help.

9. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(AS BEFORE)

MAWDRYN: Spare me the
endurance of endless time ...
the torture of perpetuality
... here in the Tardis ...
For pity's sake! ... Release
me!

(THEY ALL LOOK AT
HIM)

BRIGADIER 1: Let him go.

NYSSA: I agree.

(TEGAN IS RELUCTANT.

NYSSA MOVES FORWARD
AND OPENS THE DOORS.

MAWDRYN STAGGERS
OUT)

TEGAN: I hope you know what
you're doing.

NYSSA: We can't be certain
he isn't The Doctor.

(TEGAN WATCHING THE
SCREEN AS MAWDRYN
DISAPPEARS INTO THE
BODY OF THE SHIP)

TEGAN: Can't we?

BRIGADIER 1: Whoever he is.
Keeping him in the Tardis might
have killed him.

10. INT. HUT .. DAY.

TURLOUGH: You said that the alien's ship was in a warp ellipse.

THE DOCTOR: That's right.

TURLOUGH: If I remember my astro-biology correctly, he could, theoretically, live forever.

(TURLOUGH IS TENTATIVELY PUTTING FORWARD A SERIOUS P.O.V.)

BRIGADIER 2: Don't be ridiculous!

THE DOCTOR: Not ridiculous at all, Brigadier. Travelling in a warp ellipse is a form of infinity.

BRIGADIER 2: You make him sound like some kind of Flying Dutchman.

(THE DOCTOR LOOKS AT THE BRIGADIER)

THE DOCTOR: (THOUGHTFULLY) Condemned to sail the Universe for all eternity ...?

BRIGADIER 2: Nonsense. No-one is immortal ... (DOUBT CREEPING IN) Are they?

11. INT. SHIP'S CORRIDOR.

(MAWDRYN COMES
STAGGERING ALONG.
HE IS OBVIOUSLY
FINDING IT HEAVY
GOING)

12. INT. HUT .. DAY.

(AS BEFORE)

THE DOCTOR: While the Brigadier ponders on the complexities of immortality, you and I Adric ...

(INSTANTLY CORRECTS
HIMSELF WITH A
MINIMUM OF SELF
CONSCIOUSNESS)

... Turlough will concentrate on getting on board the alien's ship.

TURLOUGH: That capsule. But there's no beam. The transmitter's destroyed.

THE DOCTOR: You're forgetting this.

(HOLDS UP THE HOMING
DEVICE)

The Tardis is on board the ship, and this will home in on the Tardis ... Come on.

(HE EXITS)

TURLOUGH: (TO BRIGADIER TWO)
Coming ... Sir.

13. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(BRIGADIER ONE, TEGAN
AND NYSSA WAITING)

BRIGADIER 1: Right. Time
for a recce. I think we
should keep an eye on this
character, just in case
you're right, Tegan.

TEGAN: I'm coming with you.

BRIGADIER 1: You girls are
staying here.

TEGAN: We "girls" are perfect-
ly capable of ...

BRIGADIER 1: You will both
remain in the Tardis! And
that is an order, Miss Jovanka.

(HE LEAVES)

14. INT. SHIP.

(BY THE TARDIS.

THE BRIGADIER ONE
COMES OUT OF THE
TARDIS. HE LOOKS
ROUND. SURPRISED
AT THE LUXURIOUS
DECOR)

BRIGADIER 1: Good Heavens!

15. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(TEGAN AND NYSSA
WATCHING THE BRIGADIER
ONE ON THE SCREEN)

TEGAN: Chauvenist.

16. INT. TRANSMAT CAPSULE.

(THE DOCTOR IS WIRING
THE HOMING DEVICE
INTO THE CONTROLS.

TURLOUGH HAS BEEN
CO-OPTED TO HOLD
VARIOUS BITS AND
PIECES.

THE BRIGADIER TWO
APPEARS IN THE DOOR-
WAY. HE IS ABSOLUTELY
EXHAUSTED)

BRIGADIER 2: That is the third
time today I have yomped up
this wretched hill.

THE DOCTOR: Good of you to
come and see me off, Brigadier.

BRIGADIER 2: I'm not letting
you out of my sight, Doctor.
You've raised too many
questions I want answering.

THE DOCTOR: The transmat
could be dangerous.

BRIGADIER 2: (FORCEFULLY)
I'm coming with you.

THE DOCTOR: If you insist.

TURLOUGH: And so am I.

BRIGADIER 2: Don't be
ridiculous, Turlough.

TURLOUGH: The Doctor needs my help. Besides, how do I explain to the Head where you've gone.

THE DOCTOR: Turlough would be useful.

BRIGADIER 2: And what about the danger you implied.

THE DOCTOR: It still exists. But if you're so concerned, set an example and stay behind.

(THE BRIGADIER SNORTS)

BRIGADIER 2: (MUTTERS) Moral blackmail.

(THE BRIGADIER AND
TURLOUGH BOTH SQUEEZE
IN.

THE DOCTOR IS ALREADY
PRESSING SOME BUTTONS)

How long will the journey ...

TELECINE 6:

Ext. Hilltop. Day.

The Transmat Capsule
leaves.

17. INT. SHIP'S CONTROL CENTRE.

(THE TRANSMAT CAPSULE
ARRIVES.)

THE DOOR OPENS)

BRIGADIER 2: (O.O.V.)
... take?

(THE BRIGADIER
LOOKS OUT)

It isn't possible.

(THEY ALL START
TO GET OUT)

THE DOCTOR: That's what you
said when you first entered
the Tardis.

18. INT. CORRIDOR.

(THE DOCTOR, TURLOUGH
AND BRIGADIER TWO
COME FROM THE CONTROL
CENTRE INTO THE
CORRIDOR.

THE SAME LUXURIOUS
AMBIANCE AS ELSE-
WHERE.

THE BRIGADIER LOOKS
ROUND IN DISGUST)

BRIGADIER 2: Such luxury.

(HE RUNS HIS HAND
ALONG SOME OF THE
RICH FABRICS LINING
THE WALLS)

It's incredible.

THE DOCTOR: It's not an
ordinary ship, Brigadier.

19. INT. CORRIDOR. DAY.

(MAWDRYN DRAGS
HIMSELF ALONG.

THE GOING IS VERY
DIFFICULT. HIS
BODY IS DETERIORATING
SEVERELY)

20. INT. CORRIDOR. DAY.

(BRIGADIER ONE ON
HIS RECCE. EXPLORES
CAUTIOUSLY. .

OBVIOUSLY FINDS THE
EXOTIC ATMOSPHERE
OF THE SHIP VERY
DISTURBING)

21. INT. GALLERY CORRIDOR.

(PART OF THE CORRIDOR
WHICH WIDENS OUT
INTO A PICTURE
GALLERY.

MAWDRYN COMES ROUND
THE CORNER. HE IS
MUCH WORSE. DRAGS
HIMSELF SLOWLY ALONG
THE FLOOR.

URGES HIMSELF PAIN-
FULLY FORWARD TOWARDS
THE ALCOVE. (WHERE
THE DOCTOR SAW
THE ALIEN PORTRAITS)

AS MAWDRYN COMES
INTO THE ALCOVE THE
LIGHTS GO ON.

HE TRIES TO SPEAK,
BUT FINDS IT VERY
DIFFICULT)

MAWDRYN: Mawdryn has returned.
It is time for the awakening.

(HE TRIES TO RAISE
HIMSELF UP, HIS
HAND HELD OUT)

Help me. Help me.

(THE CREATURES IN
THE PORTRAITS LOOK
COLDLY DOWN AT HIM)

22. INT. INNER ROOM.

(A SEALED OFF AREA
BEHIND THE PORTRAITS.

THE EXOTIC DECOR
OF THE REST OF THE
SHIP IS VERY MUCH
IN EVIDENCE. THE
EFFECT IS CLOYING
AND OPPRESSIVE.

THERE ARE SEVEN
COUCHES. ON EACH
LIES MOTIONLESS A
SHROUDED FIGURE.

CU FIGURES: THEIR
FACES ARE CONTORTED .
AS THOUGH
SUFFERING ENORMOUS
MENTAL AGONY.)

MAWDRYN: (O.O.V.) My brothers,
awake. Mawdryn has returned.
I have brought to our ship a
Tardis! The time of our
ending is near.

(HIS VOICE FALLS
ON DEAF EARS)

23. INT. GALLERY CORRIDOR.

(WITH AN ENORMOUS
EFFORT MAWDRYN
RAISES HIMSELF TO
HIS KNEES.

HE HOLDS HIS ARMS
OUT TRYING TO REACH
THE CENTRE PORTRAIT)

MAWDRYN: Help me!

(BUT HELP DOES NOT
COME.

WITH A CRY OF DESPAIR
MIXED WITH PAIN HE
FALLS BACK ONTO THE
FLOOR AND LIES
MOTIONLESS)

24. INT. CORRIDOR.

(THE DOCTOR, BRIGADIER
TWO AND TURLOUGH
MOVING THROUGH
THE SHIP.

THE DOCTOR STOPS
AND LOOKS ROUND)

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor, we're supposed
to be looking for the Tardis. Your
friends could be in danger.

THE DOCTOR: The creature will have
left the Tardis. He'll need his own
life support systems ... Somewhere
there must be ...

(THEY REACH A
JUNCTION. A SMALL
PASSAGE LEADS
OFF)

I don't remember that...

(THE DOCTOR TURNS
BACK TO TURLOUGH)

Turlough, find the Tardis, and stay
with Tegan and Nyssa. Brigadier, I
want you to come with me.

(HE ABRUPTLY GOES
INTO THE PASSAGE)

BRIGADIER 2: Are you sure?

(HE FOLLOWS THE
DOCTOR)

25. INT. PASSAGE.

(DOCTOR AND
BRIGADIER TWO
COME TO THE
END OF THE PASSAGE.
THERE IS A DOOR.
THE DOCTOR LOOKS
ROUND FOR AN
OPENING MECHANISM.

THE SAME ORNAMENTATION
ON THE WALL AS IN THE
REST OF THE SHIP.
ALONGSIDE THE DOOR
THERE IS A RELIEF
FRIEZE. THE
DOCTOR RUNS HIS
HANDS OVER IT.

THE DOOR OPENS)

26. INT. SHIP'S LABORATORY.

(A SINISTER COLLECTION
OF EQUIPMENT SUGGESTING
A MIXTURE OF ELECTRONICS
AND BIOCHEMISTRY.

THE ATMOSPHERE IS AS
MUCH THAT OF AN
OPERATING THEATRE AS
A SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY.

A CENTRAL CONTROL
SYSTEM FEEDS A CLUSTER
OF FLEXIBLE TERMINAL
POINTS.

THE DOCTOR AND
BRIGADIER TWO COME
IN AND CAUTIOUSLY
LOOK ROUND.

THE DOCTOR EXAMINE
THE EQUIPMENT.

THE DOCTOR: (AMAZED) A metamorphic
symbiosis regenerator.

BRIGADIER 2: Really.

THE DOCTOR: Used by Time Lords
in cases of acute regenerative
crisis.

BRIGADIER 2: What's it doing
here?

THE DOCTOR: It must have
been stolen from Gallifrey!

27. INT. CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH MOVING
THROUGH THE SHIP.

HE STOPS AND
TAKES OUT THE
CUBE)

TURLOUGH: (GUILTILY) Are
you there? It's not my
fault the Doctor was able
to home in on the Tardis.

(THERE IS NO
ANSWER)

Can you hear me?

(STILL NO
ANSWER)

There's not much I can do
with the Brigadier around ...

(THE CUBE REMAINS
INERT)

Answer me!

(NOTHING HAPPENS.
AFTER A PAUSE,
TURLOUGH PUTS
THE CUBE IN HIS
POCKET AND MOVES
ON DOWN THE
CORRIDOR)

28. INT. LABORATORY.

(AS BEFORE)

THE DOCTOR: Someone on this ship has been trying to regenerate.

BRIGADIER 2: The creature?
The alien?

THE DOCTOR: it would explain the mutilation. Severe instability ...

BRIGADIER 2: Where is he now?
(LOOKS AROUND) Perhaps he didn't make it in time. Collapsed somewhere. May be even dead.

THE DOCTOR: Or undead, Brigadier!

29. INT. CORRIDOR.

(LIKE A SLUG,
MAWDRYN DRAGS ALONG
HIS HIDIOUSLY
DEGENERATED BODY
FROM THE GALLERY
TOWARDS THE
LABORATORY.

HE MOANS WITH THE
PAINFUL EFFORT)

30. INT. LABORATORY.

(AS BEFORE)

BRIGADIER 2: Why should
these creatures want to
regenerate?

THE DOCTOR: Extend their
lives.

BRIGADIER 2: But what for?

THE DOCTOR: I don't know.
But you can rest assured
that it's for no good
reason.

(SPOTS SOMETHING
ELSE IN THE
MACHINERY)

Look at this Brigadier!

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: The connections
to the regenerator ...
Eight of them.

(THE BRIGADIER
LOOKS BEMUSED
AT THE CABLES
AND TUBES)

BRIGADIER 2: So there's more
than one creature on board.

THE DOCTOR: (LOOKING AROUND)
Somewhere.

31. INT. GALLERY CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH PASSING.)

HE NOTICES THE
ALCOVE, AND
PROMPTED BY
CURIOSITY, MOVES
INTO IT. THE
LIGHTS GO ON AND
HE EXAMINES THE
PICTURES IN A
CURSORY WAY.

TURNS TO WALK
AWAY WHEN SOMETHING
CATCHES HIS EYE.
LOOKS BACK AT THE
CENTRAL PORTRAIT.

HE REALISES THAT,
AS HE MOVES, THE
HEAD OF THE
FIGURE IN THE
PICTURE TURNS
TO FOLLOW HIM.
HE IS AFRAID.

TURLOUGH STARES
HYPNOTICALLY AT
THE PORTRAIT WHICH
TRANSFORMS INTO
THE BLACK GUARDIAN)

BLACK GUARDIAN: While the
Doctor is still alive I am
never far from you, Turlough.

TURLOUGH: (CRINGING FEARFULLY)
I'm sorry. I wasn't to know
the Doctor had a homing
device ...

BLACK GUARDIAN: Whimpering
boy, do you not understand!
Everything now works towards
the total humiliation of the
Doctor. You have done well.

(TURLOUGH VERY
SURPRISED)

Give me your hand.

TURLOUGH: (SUSPICIOUS) What?

BLACK GUARDIAN: There is
nothing to fear. Give me your
hand.

(TURLOUGH RAISES
HIS HAND TOWARDS
THE BLACK GUARDIAN.
HE IS IN THE SAME
POSITION AS MAWDRYN
WAS EARLIER.

AS HIS HAND TOUCHES
THE PORTRAIT THE
BLACK GUARDIAN
VANISHES. THERE IS
THE SOUND OF
MACHINERY AND THE
PANEL SLIDES BACK
REVEALING THE
INNER ROOM)

32. INT. INNER ROOM.

(THE RECLINING,
SHROUDED FIGURES
IN THE FOREGROUND.
TURLOUGH IN THE
BACKGROUND STANDING
IN THE OPENING.

HE STEPS INSIDE.

THE FIGURES
MOVE AND GROAN.

TURLOUGH SEES THE
MUTANTS AROUND HIM
AND RUNS OFF
TERRIFIED.

THE MUTANTS BEGIN
TO STIR AND CLIMB
OFF THEIR COUCHES.

33. INT. CORRIDOR.

(BRIGADIER 1 ON
HIS RECCEE. STILL
LOOKING FOR THE
"DOCTOR")

BRIGADIER 1: Doctor ...?

34. INT. LABORATORY.

(AS BEFORE)

BRIGADIER 2: Shouldn't we
get to the Tardis.

(THE DOCTOR IS
STILL EXAMINING
THE EQUIPMENT)

THE DOCTOR: There's been some
very cunning modifications ...

(HE PRESSES A
SWITCH. THERE IS
AND UNPLEASANT
NOISE)

BRIGADIER 2: That all looks
extremely dangerous.

THE DOCTOR: Quite right. It
could do very nasty things to
a genuine Time Lord.

BRIGADIER 2: (TURNING TO THE
ENTRANCE) Listen.

(HE MOVES TOWARDS
THE PASSAGE)

35. INT. JUNCTION.

(BRIGADIER 1 PASSES
THE ENTRANCE TO
THE LABORATORY)

BRIGADIER 1: Doctor?

(HE CONTINUES
PAST.

BRIGADIER 2 COMES
FROM THE SIDE
PASSAGE TO THE
JUNCTION. LOOKS
AROUND.

SILENTLY, MAWDRYN
SLITHERS FROM THE
SHADOWS AND
QUICKLY MAKES HIS
WAY TOWARDS THE
LABORATORY)

36. INT. INNER ROOM.

SECOND MUTANT: Mawdryn
has returned.

FIRST MUTANT: Does he bring
hope of our ending?

SECOND MUTANT: Where is
Mawdryn!

37. INT. CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH RUNS
UP AND HIDES.
HE IS VERY
FRIGHTENED.
LISTENS FOR ANY
SIGN OF THE
MUTANTS IN
PURSUIT)

38. INT. JUNCTION.

(BRIGADIER 2 WHO
HAS WANDERED A
LITTLE WAY FROM
THE JUNCTION AND
RETURNS AND WALKS
TOWARDS THE
LABORATORY)

39. INT. LABORATORY.

(THE MACHINERY
IS HUMMING.

BRIGADIER 2 COMES
IN)

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor, we must
move on ...

(THE ROOM SEEMS
EMPTY)

Now where's he gone!

(HE IS ABOUT
TO GO OUT)

MAWDRYN: (O.O.V.) Brigadier!

(THE BRIGADIER
TURNS)

Brigadier!

(THE BRIGADIER LOOKS
DOWN TO THE FLOOR.

MAWDRYN LIES IN
A HORRIBLE MESS
AT THE BASE OF
THE EQUIPMENT WE
LAST SAW BEING
EXAMINED BY THE
DOCTOR.

BRIGADIER 2 CRIES
IN FEAR AND DISGUST)

MAWDRYN: Help me, Brigadier!

BRIGADIER 2: (REVOLTED) Doctor?

41. INT. LABORATORY.

(MAWDRYN IS
PLUMBED INTO
ONE OF THE
TERMINAL POINTS.
HE IS ALREADY
RECOUPERATING.

BRIGADIER 2 STANDS
BY THE CONTROLS)

MAWDRYN: Increase the power.

(BRIGADIER 2
DOES SO)

The energy repairs the
depredation of the transmat
capsule.

BRIGADIER 2: (TURNING TO MAWDRYN)
You're not the Doctor at all.

MAWDRYN: I am Mawdryn.

BRIGADIER 2: Where is the
Doctor!

MAWDRYN: I do not know.

BRIGADIER 2: You're lying.
Unless you tell me, I shall
turn off your life support
system.

MAWDRYN: No matter.

BRIGADIER 2: I imagine it matters to you if you die!

MAWDRYN: Without the energy only our shape will change. Our endless voyage will never cease. We cannot die!

42. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(THE DOCTOR WITH
TEGAN AND NYSSA)

THE DOCTOR: Where's Turlough?

NYSSA: You brought that boy
with you?

THE DOCTOR: And the Brigadier.
But I've lost both of them.

TEGAN: How do you know about
the Brigadier?

THE DOCTOR: (SUDDENLY VERY
URGENT) He's here with you as
well?

TEGAN: As well?

THE DOCTOR: How could you be
so stupid!

TEGAN: What?

NYSSA: He insisted on coming.

THE DOCTOR: He also insisted
on coming with me.

NYSSA: Oh no! What if they
should meet?

THE DOCTOR: Precisely. Come
on. We've got to find them.

(DOCTOR LEADS THE
WAY OUT OF THE
TARDIS)

43. INT. CORRIDOR.

(BRIGADIER 1
APPROACHING. HE
SEES SOMETHING
COMING.

HE RETREATS INTO
A HIDING PLACE.

THE SEVEN MUTANTS
PASS.

BRIGADIER 1 WATCHES
THEM WITH HORROR)

44. INT. JUNCTION.

(DOCTOR COMES TO
THE JUNCTION WITH
TEGAN AND NYSSA.
HE STOPS)

THE DOCTOR: Better check the
laboratory. Tegan, stay here
in case your Brigadier comes
past. In which case stop
him.

(DOCTOR LEADS
NYSSA DOWN THE
SIDE PASSAGE
TOWARDS THE
LABORATORY)

45. INT. (TARDIS) CORRIDOR.

(TURLOUGH RUNS
TOWARDS THE
TARDIS, GOES
INSIDE, AND
SLAMS THE DOOR)

46. INT. LABORATORY.

(THE DOCTOR AND
NYSSA COME IN.

THEY SEE THE
BRIGADIER 2)

BRIGADIER 2: Doctor!

THE DOCTOR: Brigadier, thank
goodness you're all right.
(ASIDE) One of you anyway.
(TO NYSSA) Now we've only
got to keep him apart from.

(NYSSA SEES MAWDRYN,
STILL CONNECTED TO
THE APPARATUS)

NYSSA: Doctor! Over there!
That's him!

(THE DOCTOR TURNS
FROM THE BRIGADIER
AND SEES MAWDRYN.

THE DOCTOR WALKS
SLOWLY OVER TO MAWDRYN.

THE DOCTOR LOOKS AT
MAWDRYN WITH
HORRIFIED CURIOSITY)

MAWDRYN: I am Mawdryn. Welcome to
my ship, Time Lord.

47. INT. TARDIS CONTROL ROOM.

(TURLOUGH IS LEANING
OVER THE CONSOLE.
HE IS TRYING TO
WORK THE CONTROLS.

NOTHING IS
HAPPENING)

BLACK GUARDIAN: (O.O.V.) You
will not be able to operate
the Tardis.

(TURLOUGH SPINS
ROUND.

THE BLACK
GUARDIAN IS
WATCHING HIM
FROM THE SCREEN)

TURLOUGH: (DEFIANT) I can work
it if you show me how. Then
the Doctor will be trapped.
And I can escape. Isn't that
the agreement!

BLACK GUARDIAN: Do you think
I have controlled you merely
to prick the flesh of this
presumptuous Gallifrean?

TURLOUGH: What more do you want
from me?

BLACK GUARDIAN: You will stay
on the ship and witness the
nemesis of the Doctor!

48. INT. LABORATORY.

• (THE DOCTOR CONFRONTS
MAWDRYN. WATCHED
BY BRIGADIER 2 AND
NYSSA)

THE DOCTOR: It was you who
stole the regenerator from
Gallifrey.

MAWDRYN: Yes, Doctor. But
time itself has punished us
for the crime.

THE DOCTOR: You modified the
machine.

(HE IS GENUINELY
IMPRESSED AND
AWED)

You created endless life for
yourselves?

MAWDRYN: Endless torment!
Our bodies eternally renewed
in a vile travesty of our
former selves.

THE DOCTOR: You induced a
perpetual mutation!

MAWDRYN: So horrible that the
elders of our planet exiled
us in this ship.

THE DOCTOR: How were you able
to come to Earth?

MAWDRYN: It is decreed. Every seventy years the beacons guide the ship to transmat distance of a planet. Using the mental energy of the other seven, one of our company may transmute into a native of that planet, leave the ship and seek help.

THE DOCTOR: But what help can there be for you!

MAWDRYN: None it seems. We remain in this pitiful state, dependant on the power of the regenerator to stabilise our substance.

NYSSA: And the Tardis! You stabilised in the Tardis.

MAWDRYN: That is true. The ambience was suitable. But without those influences, we inexorably degenerate.

THE DOCTOR: And however advanced the degradation you still can't die?

MAWDRYN: It is the Time Lord's curse!

THE DOCTOR: The curse of your own criminal ambition.

MAWDRYN: Have you no pity! The missing element. The Time Lords could have given it. But they abandoned us.

THE DOCTOR: And there's nothing I can do to help either.

49. INT. JUNCTION.

(TEGAN WAITS,
LOOKING OUT FOR
BRIGADIER 1.

SHE HEARS SOMETHING
AT THE END OF THE
CORRIDOR.

TEGAN'S P.O.V. THE
SEVEN MUTANTS
COMING TOWARDS THE
LABORATORY.

SHE RUNS TOWARDS
THE LABORATORY)

50. INT. LABORATORY.

(TEGAN RUNS IN)

TEGAN: Doctor, we've got to get away from here! There are ... (SEES MAWDRYN) others (POINTS) like him coming this way.

MAWDRYN: My brothers in exile. They need the regenerator.

TEGAN: I knew you weren't the Doctor ...

BRIGADIER 2: Look out!

(THE MUTANTS ARE ENTERING. THEY TAKE NO NOTICE OF THE DOCTOR AND HIS COMPANIONS, BUT START TO CONNECT THEMSELVES TO THE APPARATUS. THE DOOR CLOSES OMINOUSLY BEHIND THEM)

Who are they?

THE DOCTOR: Foolish people who tried to turn themselves into Time Lords. But it all went horribly wrong.

MAWDRYN: It is eternal agony.
That is why we long for the
ending.

TEGAN: These people ...
They're immortal?

THE DOCTOR: Yes. For what it's
worth.

MAWDRYN: Doctor. The life
force flows. Join yourself
with us!

(HE INDICATES THAT
THE DOCTOR SHOULD
LINK HIMSELF WITH
THE APPARATUS)

THE DOCTOR: No, Mawdryn!

MAWDRYN: Give us the life
force from a Time Lord. The
abberation will resolve. Our
suffering will end.

THE DOCTOR: Never!

MAWDRYN: For pity's sake, you
cannot refuse!

TEGAN: Why can't you help
them, Doctor?

THE DOCTOR: As a Time Lord you
are aware that I am able to
regenerate twelve times. I
have already done so four
times.

TEGAN: So?

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THE DOCTOR: Don't you see?
Eight of them. Eight of me.

TEGAN: They want your remaining
regenerations!

THE DOCTOR: Yes. They want
my eight remaining lives to
end their mutation. They
want to take away my own
regenerative powers!

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